Egremont Conservation Commission Meeting of August 11, 2016 Town Hall, Egremont, MA. 7:00 P.M. start time.

Commissioners present: Chairman Bill Tynan, Ted Rubsamen, Alina Hsu and Ben Barrett.

Guests: Edi O'Neil, Bob Algierie, Georgette and Delmore Kinney and Mark Pitsch

## Citizens Inquiries:

Bob Algierie 33 Lakeside Drive here to discuss the alleged wetlands violation that took place in 2015 where maintenance was done on Second Street. He is of the opinion that because of the work that was done, his property is being negatively impacted. He hired SK Design (Brett Kamienski) to do some investigating and analysis. We are in receipt of a letter from SK Group, describing the wetlands and the infraction. The commission clearly needs help from Mark Stinson to assess the property, and determine an action plan. Mr. Algierie phone number is 631-680-1771, and his local number is 413-528-0767.

Georgette and Delmore Kinney are here to discuss their new home site at 32 Ox Bow Road. Mike Parsons wrote a letter and submitted a plan showing the proposed well and septic system, and given the topography and lack of ACEC or NHESP lands, it was the opinion of the commission that there would be no work in jurisdiction. We thanked them for checking in with us.

Mark Pitsch of 82 Jug End Road here to discuss his proposed projects on his property, namely a deck installation, the rebuilding of a stair case and a patio improvement project. A site visit was executed on August 3, 2016 by Alina Hsu, Bill Tynan and Ted Rubsamen. Most of the work will be outside the 50 foot zone from the intermittent stream, but the patio reclamation area will be inside that threshold, but because it involves removal of some impervious material, and replacement with pea gravel, it is of the opinion of the commission that it would be considered an improvement, from a WPA perspective. But the correct approach is to schedule a hearing at 8 PM on August 25, 2016.

## Old Business:

**Broderick 44B Mount Washington Road**: Certificate of Completion (Form 8B) was filed correctly with the Registry of Deeds, and a date stamped original was filed with the commission showing book and page numbers. Thank you, Brodericks!

## **New Business:**

Citizen's complaint was filed by a concerned resident/neighbor regarding the **Tank Acres** property at **0 Mt. Washington Road** for the dredging being done. August 6, 2016, an email was received by the town as well. As of Monday, August 8, 2016, David Foulis of DEP had responded to both complaints, and apparently resolved the issue.

**Blue Bear 47 Whites Hill Road**: Alina Hsu recused herself to discuss the forest cutting plan for her site. The commission received an approved, signed copy of the cutting plan from Tom Ryan, and addressed the fact that the stream crossings had to be temporary. If Ms. Hsu is interested in creating permanent crossings, she will need to come before the commission with a formal plan.

Minutes of July 28, 2016 approved as submitted.

There being no further action needed, a motion was made to adjourn, seconded and passed unanimously at 8:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Ben Barrett,

Secretary for the commission